

Law Enforcement (FINAL)

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ITEM 1. Proposed Project

The Angeles National Forest (ANF) covers 70% of the open space in Los Angeles County with a population of over 11 million. This large population base results in very high legal and illegal use of Off Highway Vehicle (OHV) areas on the forest. The funds requested will include OHV personnel to enforce state and federal OHV regulations, maintain and install barriers, maintain signs to inform OHV users of routes of travel, provide safe and responsible OHV use and support Off Highway Vehicle (OHV) user trade shows such as the Off Road Expo in Pomona and the International Motorcycle Show in Long Beach. OHV personnel will also attend community events such as staffing a booth with the Los Angeles County Sheriffs Department at the local mall in Valencia. All of these events allow OHV personnel to answer questions about the safety aspects of OHV operation including training opportunities, locations and to provide handouts such as OHV brochures with information on other OHV areas within the state interpretive information such as providing OHV trail maps for the local OHV areas and Tread Lightly material.

ITEM 2. Project Coverage

The funds requested for this project are essential to providing safe and responsible OHV use including patrolling 270 Miles of developed OHV routes and 140 acres of open use area on the Angeles National Forest.

ITEM 3. Describe the frequency of the patrols

Forest Service Law Enforcement Officer(LEO) and Forest Protection Officer (FPO) regularly patrol the all areas of the forest on a regular basis. Focused law enforcement patrols are conducted on weekends and holidays though out the year in the OHV areas such as Rowher Flat , Drinkwater Flat, Littlerock and San Gabriel Canyon when most users are present.

ITEM 4. Deployment of Personnel

The funds requested for this project are essential to providing patrols consisting of four Forest Protection Officers (FPO) and one Law Enforcement Officer (LEO) that will be patrolling high OHV use areas such as Rowher Flat, Drinkwater Flat, Littlerock and San Gabriel canyon and general forest areas where conflicts with illegal OHV use has been reported or observed The forest also provides support from five LEOs.

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1. Identify areas with high priority law enforcement needs because of public safety, cultural resources, and sensitive environmental habitats, including wilderness areas and areas of critical environmental concerns:

The areas of high priority for Law Enforcement patrols will include Rowher Flats and Drinkwater Flats Off Highway Vehicle (OHV) areas to protect known archeological sites, San Gabriel canyon OHV area to protect endangered species such as the Santa Ana Sucker fish and enforcement of the alcohol prohibitions for public safety, and Littlerock OHV area for the protection of the South Western Arroyo Toad. Law Enforcement patrols will also be deployed to areas of the forest as needed to reduce conflicts with non motorized users from private property or trespass by OHV users into wilderness areas when such trespass occurs. There are no legal OHV opportunities on the forest that create a trespass into federal wilderness areas.

2. Describe how the proposed Project relates to OHV Recreation and will sustain OHV Recreation, motorized off-highway access to non-motorized recreation, or OHV Opportunities associated with the Project Area:

The OHV routes provide access to hunting, camping, sight seeing, and hiking trails such as the Pacific Crest Trail on the forest. The funds requested for this project will provide information and education and which are essential to sustain a safe and responsible OHV legal area to recreate thereby reducing conflict's with non motorized users.

3. Describe the Applicant's formal or informal cooperation with other law enforcement agencies:

The ANF has a formal agreement with the Los Angeles Sheriff's Dept. to enforce state OHV laws on ANF land within the county. The county sheriff has granted state peace officer authority to Forest Service Law Enforcement Officers to enforce state laws. An area of special emphasis of this program is the "garage rider" an OHV user that illegally gains access onto the forest from private or county land. This type of user causes conflict with non-motorized users and damage to natural and cultural resources. This coordination over the last 6 years in deploying Forest Service personnel with sheriff deputies has enabled both agencies to expand their patrol areas and has made significant reductions in this type of violation. Due to increasing population and developments that border the forest, it is essential the funding for this inter-agency patrol to continue so the number of violations may be reduced in the future.

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4. Does the Applicant recover a portion of the law enforcement costs directly associated with privately sponsored OHV events where sponsors have obtained a local permit? (Please select Yes or No)

☐ Yes

☒ No

Explain

No there is no permitted OHV events on the forest

5. The Applicant agrees to implement a public education program that includes information on safety programs available in the area and how to report OHV violations? (Please select Yes or No)

☒ Yes

☐ No

6. Describe the Applicant's OHV law enforcement training program including how the training program educates personnel to address OHV safety and natural and cultural resource protection:

Law Enforcement Officers (LEO) and Forest Protection Officers (FPO) receive training on the protection and investigations of wildlife, natural and cultural resources, Sound enforcement, State laws pertaining to OHV use on public lands this training includes class room instruction and practical exercises. All personnel deployed for OHV law enforcement patrol are trained on the use of Off Highway Motorcycles using curriculum from the Motorcycle Safety Foundation and All terrain Vehicle use using curriculum from the ATV Safety Institute. LEOs receive training on the archeological resource preservation act (ARPA) for investigations of damage to cultural resources and wildfire investigations

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7. Is the proposed project in accordance with local or federal plans and the OHMVR Division Strategic Plan? (Please select Yes or No) ☒ Yes ☐ No
8. LOCAL AGENCIES ONLY - Describe the Applicant's policies and/or agreements regarding enforcement on federal land:
9. COUNTIES ONLY - Describe how the OHV in-lieu of tax funds are being used and whether the use of these fees complements the Applicant's project:

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10. APPLICANTS WHO MANAGE OHV RECREATION FACILITIES – Describe how your organization is meeting its operation and maintenance needs:
- The ANF actively performs regular trail and facilities maintenance to provide many safe and challenging OHV opportunities for the OHV user. The forest also installs or maintains barriers and signs to prevent OHV users from operating outside designated areas. The maintenance operation combined with regular law enforcement actions reduces the damage to natural and cultural resources in the forest and reduces conflicts with non motorized uses in the forest.
11. The Applicant agrees to enforce the registration of OHVs and the other provision of Division 16.5 commencing with Section 38000 of the vehicle code and to enforce other applicable laws regarding the operation of OHVs? (Please select Yes or No) ☒ Yes ☐ No

Project Cost Estimate

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| APPLICANT NAME : | USFS - Angeles NF - Patrol District | | | | |
| PROJECT TITLE : | Law Enforcement (FINAL) | PROJECT NUMBER (Division use only) : | G09-02-21-L01 | | |
| PROJECT TYPE : | <input type="checkbox"/> Acquisition <input type="checkbox"/> Development <input type="checkbox"/> Education & Safety <input type="checkbox"/> Ground Operations <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Law Enforcement <input type="checkbox"/> Planning <input type="checkbox"/> Restoration | | | | |
| PROJECT DESCRIPTION : | The Angeles National Forest (ANF) covers 70% of the open space in Los Angeles County with a population of over 11 million. This large population base results in very high legal and illegal use of Off Highway Vehicle (OHV) areas on the forest. The funds requested will include OHV personnel to enforce state and federal OHV regulations, maintain and install barriers, maintain signs to inform OHV users of routes of travel, provide safe and responsible OHV use and support Off Highway Vehicle (OHV) user trade shows such as the Off Road Expo in Pomona and the International Motorcycle Show in Long Beach. OHV personnel will also attend community events such as staffing a booth with the Los Angeles County Sheriffs Department at the local mall in Valencia. All of these events allow OHV personnel to answer questions about the safety aspects of OHV operation including training opportunities, locations and to provide handouts such as OHV brochures with information on other OHV areas within the state interpretive information such as providing OHV trail maps for the local OHV areas and Tread Lightly material. | | | | |

| | Line Item | Qty | Rate | UOM | Grant Request | Match | Total |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------|---------|-----|---------------|-----------|------------|
| DIRECT EXPENSES | | | | | | | |
| Program Expenses | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Staff | | | | | | |
| | Other-OHV Specialist/LEO GS-9 | 80.000 | 330.000 | DAY | 26,400.00 | 0.00 | 26,400.00 |
| | Other-OHV Specialist/FPO GS-7 | 80.000 | 280.000 | DAY | 22,400.00 | 0.00 | 22,400.00 |
| | Other-OHV Specialist/FPO GS-5 | 240.000 | 200.000 | DAY | 48,000.00 | 0.00 | 48,000.00 |
| | Notes : 3 GS- 5 OHV Specilaist | | | | | | |
| | Law Enforcement Officers | 50.000 | 400.000 | DAY | 0.00 | 20,000.00 | 20,000.00 |
| | Notes : 5- LEO's Forest Match | | | | | | |
| | Total for Staff | | | | 96,800.00 | 20,000.00 | 116,800.00 |
| 2 | Contracts | | | | | | |

Project Cost Estimate for Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program - 2009/2010
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| | Line Item | Qty | Rate | UOM | Grant Request | Match | Total |
|----------|---|---------------|-----------|------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| 3 | Materials / Supplies | | | | | | |
| | Other-Barriers Notes : Barriers include tee post and wire fencing or wood type no dig barriers | 1.000 | 3000.000 | MISC | 3,000.00 | 0.00 | 3,000.00 |
| | Other-Tread Lighty | 1.000 | 3000.000 | MISC | 3,000.00 | 0.00 | 3,000.00 |
| | Total for Materials / Supplies | | | | 6,000.00 | 0.00 | 6,000.00 |
| 4 | Equipment Use Expenses | | | | | | |
| | Other-MC/ATV/Class 903 FOR Notes : SCMRRD 4 mo. ea.- 4 MC, 2 ATV | 24.000 | 192.000 | MOS | 0.00 | 4,608.00 | 4,608.00 |
| | Other-4x4 PU/Class 265 FOR Notes : SCMRRD 2 mo. ea.- 4 Vehicles | 8.000 | 410.000 | MOS | 0.00 | 3,280.00 | 3,280.00 |
| | Other-4x4 PU/Class 265 Use Notes : SC/MRRD 4,000 mi. ea.- 4 Vehicles | 16000.00 0 | 0.420 | MI | 6,720.00 | 0.00 | 6,720.00 |
| | Total for Equipment Use Expenses | | | | 6,720.00 | 7,888.00 | 14,608.00 |
| 5 | Equipment Purchases | | | | | | |
| 6 | Others | | | | | | |
| | Other-OHV shows travel | 1.000 | 1500.000 | MISC | 0.00 | 1,500.00 | 1,500.00 |
| | Other-Maps | 3500.000 | 1.000 | EA | 3,500.00 | 0.00 | 3,500.00 |
| | Total for Others | | | | 3,500.00 | 1,500.00 | 5,000.00 |
| 7 | Indirect Costs | | | | | | |
| | Indirect Costs-Indirect Costs | 1.000 | 11000.000 | YR | 0.00 | 11,000.00 | 11,000.00 |
| | Total Program Expenses | | | | 113,020.00 | 40,388.00 | 153,408.00 |
| | TOTAL DIRECT EXPENSES | | | | 113,020.00 | 40,388.00 | 153,408.00 |
| | TOTAL EXPENDITURES | | | | 113,020.00 | 40,388.00 | 153,408.00 |

Project Cost Summary for Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program - 2009/2010
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| | Line Item | Grant Request | Match | Total | Narrative |
|-------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------|
| DIRECT EXPENSES | | | | | |
| Program Expenses | | | | | |
| 1 | Staff | 96,800.00 | 20,000.00 | 116,800.00 | |
| 2 | Contracts | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | |
| 3 | Materials / Supplies | 6,000.00 | 0.00 | 6,000.00 | |
| 4 | Equipment Use Expenses | 6,720.00 | 7,888.00 | 14,608.00 | |
| 5 | Equipment Purchases | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | |
| 6 | Others | 3,500.00 | 1,500.00 | 5,000.00 | |
| 7 | Indirect Costs | 0.00 | 11,000.00 | 11,000.00 | |
| Total Program Expenses | | 113,020.00 | 40,388.00 | 153,408.00 | |
| TOTAL DIRECT EXPENSES | | 113,020.00 | 40,388.00 | 153,408.00 | |
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Environmental Review Data Sheet (ERDS)

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ITEM 1 and ITEM 2

ITEM 1

- a. ITEM 1 - Has a CEQA Notice of Determination (NOD) been filed for the Project? ☐ Yes ☒ No
(Please select Yes or No)

ITEM 2

- b. Does the proposed Project include a request for funding for CEQA and/or NEPA document preparation prior to implementing the remaining Project Deliverables (i.e., is it a two-phased Project pursuant to Section 4970.06.1(b)) (Please select Yes or No) ☐ Yes ☒ No

ITEM 3 - Project under CEQA Guidelines Section 15378

- c. ITEM 3 - Are the proposed activities a "Project" under CEQA Guidelines Section 15378? ☐ Yes ☒ No
(Please select Yes or No)
- d. The Application is requesting funds solely for personnel and support to enforce OHV laws and ensure public safety. These activities would not cause any physical impacts on the environment and are thus not a "Project" under CEQA. (Please select Yes or No) ☒ Yes ☐ No
- e. Other. Explain why proposed activities would not cause any physical impacts on the environment and are thus not a "Project" under CEQA. DO NOT complete ITEMS 4 – 10

ITEM 4 - Impact of this Project on Wetlands

ITEM 5 - Cumulative Impacts of this Project

ITEM 6 - Soil Impacts

ITEM 7 - Damage to Scenic Resources

ITEM 8 - Hazardous Materials

Is the proposed Project Area located on a site included on any list compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the California Government Code (hazardous materials)? (Please select Yes or No) ☐ Yes ☒ No

If YES, describe the location of the hazard relative to the Project site, the level of hazard and the measures to be taken to minimize or avoid the hazards.

ITEM 9 - Potential for Adverse Impacts to Historical or Cultural Resources

Would the proposed Project have potential for any substantial adverse impacts to historical or cultural resources? (Please select Yes or No) ☐ Yes ☒ No

Discuss the potential for the proposed Project to have any substantial adverse impacts to historical or cultural resources.

ITEM 10 - Indirect Significant Impacts

CEQA/NEPA Attachment